



CYNGOR TREF LLANDEILO FAWR TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the October Full Council Meeting of Llandeilo Town Council held in Hengwrt on Wednesday October 26th 2022, in Llandeilo at 7:00PM

Prior to the start of the meeting, newly co-opted members Matthew Crayford, Sian Lewis, Keely Clarke and Guy Evans signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and the Code of Conduct agreement and took their position as Councillor

Present :

Mayor Cllr Gordon Kilby	Deputy Mayor Cllr Christoph Fischer	
Cllr Charlotte Morgan	Cllr Geraint Price	Cllr Bryony Preston
Cllr Simon Brownsill	Cllr Rob Jones	Cllr Charlotte Walker
Cllr Guy Evans	Cllr Sian Lewis	Cllr Matthew Crayford
Cllr Keely Clarke		
Mr Owen James (Clerk)		
Mr David Eve (Finance Officer)		
Mr Eifion Jones (Facilities Officer)		

Apologies : None

Min 107 / October / 22 - Declaration of Interests

Cllr Geraint Price declared that he was receiving payments for goods purchased for Llandeilo Town Council

Min 108 / October / 22 - Police Report

- No report circulated

Cllr Charlotte Walker added that police are increasing patrols on Church St and Station rd due to minor vandalism

Min 109 / October / 22 - County Councillors Report

County Councillor Edward Thomas circulated his monthly report :-

1. Welsh Government is introducing a 20mph speed limit to all residential roads in September 2023. An opportunity to hear more will be given in the next Town & Community Council Forum on 9th November. Clerk will have details of log in etc.
2. I am still pursuing the possibility of yellow lines on the junction of Thomas Terrace / Station Road. As you are aware Station Road is not a LA road and is subject to the Railways Act and therefore controlled by Network Rail. The residents are concerned about cars blocking the junction, cars obstructing the view.
3. Contacted PCSO regarding the large white van that is left 24/7 on/off the pavement opposite the Police Station in Carmarthen Road. The owner lives in Llandeilo, apparently does not have a driveway or a place to park the vehicle so is left.

4. Reported street light faults-car park, & Abbey Terrace in the last week. Any other lights spotted could LTC councillor's or public please advise location and if possible ID reference which is on the lamp post

5. CCC have cleared the drain near Myrtle Hill which had overflowed due to the heavy downpour on 5th September. The water had again washed down. Water also flows down from Penlan Park in heavy downpours
 6. A request from a local resident for an old sign on the back wall of the toilets to be removed. The sign points to the old disabled bays, which have moved. She stated it was confusing – Request Submitted
 7. Marketing & Tourism from CCC have met with Dyma Llandeilo App – very productive meeting. The app has been launched.
 8. A No through Road sign has been installed in Lon Rhys at request of local residents. Still waiting for another sign in Bryanawel Terrace.
 9. The Adult Education Centre has closed in the school yard. The two porta-cabins are in a very poor state of repair – Will update you once I know more
 10. Members may be aware that a lot was undertaken over the summer to provide additional room space for the schools to comply with the WG ruling regarding Free School Meals for younger children. The old Tenko building which once housed the Food Bank is now a dining room for Ysgol Teilo Sant.
 11. I have contacted CCC regarding the suggested locations for another mosaic. Dani Lee is dealing directly now with Street scene and Car parks. Dani has also had a favourable response from local GP surgery.
 12. Supply chain issues and some other technical issues are delaying the completion of the Market in Hall.
 13. CCC solicitor's have passed all the leases to LTC solicitor re Scout Hut. Edward Friend has to liaise with the scout's solicitor. Clerk and myself are chasing, hoping to have a more up to date report on the transfer of this redundant asset to Llandeilo Town Council
 14. A tree survey has been undertaken by Lon Rhys. The very large Ash is on land not owned by anyone as far as we can ascertain. It's on a small plot of land. The tree was causing concern to elderly residents. CCC have confirmed that 25% of the crown is affected and that they will be reviewing every year. If no land owner is found they will take responsibility for the removal of the tree with a charge back on the land.
 15. I have asked for King street & Abbey Terrace to be swept – tree leaves from Churchyard on pavements
 16. Tregib Sports Facilities have been granted the £225K Community Facilities Grant from Welsh Government. With other funds we have pledges from other bodies. Local groups, crowd funding. Community Councils so we are up to £265K –need to get another £50k in to complete the cost of a new astro turf for Llandeilo and District
- Councillor comments to the report:-

Min 110 / October / 22 - Questions from Councillors

None

Min 111 / October / 22 - Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held in the Hengwrt on Wednesday, September 28th 2022

The September Full Council Minutes were read by Chair Mayor Gordon Kilby. Cllr Christoph Fischer proposed them as correct, seconded by Cllr Charlotte Morgan. All were in favour.

Min 112 / October / 22 - Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held in the Hengwrt on Wednesday, October 19th 2022

The Special Minutes were read by Chair Mayor Gordon Kilby. Cllr Charlotte Walker wanted clarity that comments and local responses were sent prior to the meeting and this be clear on the minutes. Clerk added this as correct to minute 104. Cllr Christoph Fischer proposed them as correct, seconded by Cllr Rob Jones. All in favour.

Min 113 / October / 22 - Matters arising from previous meetings

Min 95 – Clerk to chase the Planning Seminar CCC offered councillors to attend

Min 98 – Cllr Rob Jones asked if Mayor medals had been ordered. Clerk confirmed they were on a 10-16 week leadtime, but had been ordered.

Min 104 – Mayor Gordon Kilby requested to add an item to November Full Council to discuss the Carmarthen Street report

Min 114 / October / 22 – Correspondence

1. REG Street Naming

Carmarthenshire County Council have recently prepared a new Street Naming and Numbering Policy which is published for public consultation. Councillors asked to respond to consultation.

2. Dani Lee, possible second Llandeilo mural

Dani Lee contacted LTC to request the possibility of doing a second Mural on the entrance to Penlan Park Llandeilo. On the left wall ideally.

Cllr Gordon Kilby proposed to invite Dani Lee prior to November Full Council to discuss possible opportunities. Seconded Charlotte Morgan. All in favour.

Clerk to invite Dani Lee to November Full Council

3. Weltag 3, Tywi Valley cycle path

Llandeilo Town Councillors are invited to the Stage 3 Stakeholder Workshop for the proposed Tywi Valley Path.

NOTED

4. Ramblers – our paths our future

Clerk shared the access campaign to improve paths and access to nature from Ramblers Cymru. Councillors asked to support and share with their networks.

NOTED

5. Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Draft Annual Report - February 2023

The Panel considers members of Community and Town Councils should not be out of pocket for carrying out their duties. It therefore proposes the following:

i) Basic payment for extra costs of working from home

All councils must pay their members £156 a year (equivalent to £3 a week) towards the extra household expenses (including heating, lighting, power and broadband) of working from home.

ii) Set payment for consumables

Councils must either pay their members £52 a year for the cost of office consumables required to carry out their role, or alternatively councils must enable members to claim full reimbursement for the cost of their office consumables.

Councillors to respond individually to the Remuneration report

6. Boundary Commission

The Boundary Commission for Wales has published its Revised Proposals for Wales' new parliamentary constituencies. Clerk forwarded email if councillors would like to respond.

NOTED

7. Poverty Fund – CCC

Clerk shared a poverty fund available from CCC. Available for groups locally who would like to offer warm spaces, community cafes, fuel clubs etc.

Cllr Charlotte Morgan proposed the clerk look into possibly making the Bowls club a warm space. Seconded Charlotte Walker. All in favour

Clerk to investigate the grant.

Min 115 / October / 22 – Planning Matters

Planning matters

PL/04904 – Removal of Condition 1 on E/36212 (Extension of time for the commencement of development for a further 5 years) – Bryn Y Wawr, 6 New Road, Llandeilo, SA19 6DB
No additional comment from councillors

Planning Decisions

PL/03907

Removal of Variation of condition 2 on E/05476 (plans)
23, Bridge Street, Llandeilo, SA19 6BN

Removal / Variation of Condition Granted

E/39929

Replace the existing in and out glazed timber painted doors located on the side elevation with 1 powder coated aluminium sliding door

CK Supermarket, 77 Rhosmaen Street, Llandeilo, Carmarthenshire, SA19 6HD

Full Granted

PL/04578

Extension of existing lawn bowls pavilion

Llandeilo Bowls Pavilion, Carmarthen Road, Llandeilo, SA19 6DR

Full Granted

Min 116 / October / 22 - Financial Matters

1. Accounts for payment

	Net (£)	Vat (£)	Gross (£)
* EDF - Bowls Club - Sept	55.53	2.78	58.31
* Angie Flory - Town App Data Collection - Sept	250.00	0.00	250.00
* Owen James - Zoom membership	5.99	1.20	7.19
* G Price - Fuel, Flag, Strimmer Head + Mileage	309.14	61.83	370.97
* EDF - Tennis Club - Sept	21.35	1.07	22.42
* Apps4Wales - Balance of App Development	1,245.00	249.00	1,494.00
* D Cledwyn Moses - Flag removal 10th Sept	120.00	24.00	144.00
* G Price - Fuel £36, Just Seeds £480.65, Wynnstay £626.40	947.54	189.51	1,137.05
* Angie Flory - Town App Data Collection - Oct (20th)	362.50	0.00	362.50
* LTAssociates - App Content Portal - balance	245.00	49.00	294.00

dd - direct debit

- cheque

* BACS

These payments were recommended for payment. Proposed by Cllr Christoph Fischer, seconded by Cllr Simon Brownsill. All in favour

2. Income Received	£
Town App income - go cardless	393.28

3. Account Balances

LTC Current Account as at 23rd September 2022 = £3,338.89
LTC Deposit Account as at 23rd September 2022 = £47,020.22

4. Financial Requests

i) Urdd Eisteddfod 2023

Financial request towards the Urdd Eisteddfod 2023. Llandeilo Town Council pledged to donate £500 in year 21/22, and £500 in year 22/23. Therefore it was proposed to pay the second £500.00 due. Proposed Cllr Geraint Price, seconded Cllr Charlotte Morgan. All in favour.

5. Other Matters from the Responsible Finance Officer

i) Up to date accounts

Finance Officer circulated up to date accounts and stated Council were on track as budgeted.

ii) Loan interest rate increase

RFO David Eve advised with the increase in rates that the Bowls project would need to take the increased interest rates into consideration.

NOTED

iii) Fireworks display – Cash float

Proposed by Cllr Gordon Kilby for RFO David Eve to take out £1500 to cover the float for the firework display. Seconded by Cllr Simon Brownsill. All in favour

iv) Town App – Monthly hosting costs - standing order

David Eve will set up a standing order to cover the monthly fee for the App updates, as per original quote from Eazi Apps

v) Bowls Club request

King Jones from the bowls club has requested LTC to purchase additives to the Bowls Green, costing £375.00. Bowls club to reimburse the figure once purchased.

Proposed by Cllr Geraint Price, seconded by Cllr Christoph Fischer. All in favour.

vi) Finance vice chair position

David Eve stated the vice chair position is now vacant. Clerk will circulate available positions prior to November meeting, to appoint representatives in the meeting.

Min 117 / October / 22 – Reports

1. Facilities officer report

Report circulated to all councillors prior to meeting :-

1. Parks walkabout, bins and clean up
2. Adjust hasp and staple Tregib stores
3. Walk around parks with Charlotte Morgan discussing progress/programmes
4. Get sign from Relm to stop people parking in front of gate in PLQ
5. Request cones from C.C.C for fireworks night, Stuart Quick confirmed these will be provided
6. Electric metre readings

2. Parks Report – Chair Cllr Charlotte Morgan

Cllr Charlotte Morgan confirmed excellent progress on the parks, including planting, seeding, volunteer recruitment going forward.

A maintenance list will be devised with the help of FO Eifion Jones, including boundary and fencing work plans.

Parc Le Conquet, Bowls plans progressing well, also the potential levelling of the grassed area to accommodate the Pump Track and Football pitch. Levelling work to be quoted as soon as possible.

Tree report due November 3rd.

Bandstand Penlan Park – CADW are being contacted to assess the work undertaken between 1991 and 2016, a period which was under the ownership of Carmarthenshire County Council.

Clerk advised he had been successful in another Keep Wales Tidy package for Penlan Park. A park meeting would take place on the 03.11.22 to see potential areas of improvement, Mayor Gordon Kilby thanked the Parks Group for their fantastic ongoing work of the park, and would welcome new councillors to take join the sub committee given they have the time. A parks volunteer action afternoon is planned for 29.10.22, 2PM.

3. Publication report

Website re-design is delayed due to the volume of files being transferred over.

Newsletter is due to be published in February/March. Cllr Charlotte Morgan welcomed new councillors to join the subcommittee

4. Fireworks event report

Fireworks night is on 04.11.22 as previously circulated. Cllr Geraint Price asked if all officers and councillors would help on the evening to collect moneys at the gate or help with the evening proceedings.

Cllr Geraint Price added the band will not be in attendance, but Acoustic Performer Rhys Morgan will be in attendance. Menter Dinefwr have offered the stage and Van for the performance

Min 118 / October / 22 – Transport and Highways

George Street would be closed for 3 days from 31.10.22 for essential works. Diversion signage in place

Min 119 / October / 22 – No member of Llandeilo Town Council can also serve as a County Councillor. If a Town Councillor is elected as a County Councillor during his/her time they must resign from Llandeilo Council at the next Full Council meeting

Prior to discussion, Clerk had sought advice from One Voice Wales on the matter. A response was read as follows :-

“There is nothing preventing county councillors from being members of their local community council and if there are any issues in relation to their loyalties or objectivity as a county councillor then they should declare interests as appropriate and in accordance with the Code of Conduct. If there are prejudicial interests, then they should not participate in any relevant debate – but that would be a matter for the individual member to determine. If anyone legally challenged either rule (if your council decided to implement them) I would be astonished if they did not succeed.”

Cllr Geraint Price accepted the feedback from One Voice Wales with no reason to discuss further. Seconded Cllr Rob Jones. All in favour

Min 120 / October / 22 – That no more than 1 member of the same family whether by blood or marriage can serve on Llandeilo Town Council at any given time

Prior to discussion, Clerk had sought advice from One Voice Wales on the matter. A response was read as follows :-

“I don’t see how you could possibly justify preventing more than one member of the same family from becoming a councillor on the same council – how would you decide who should sit on the council if a couple or two siblings put themselves forward for election (as they are legally able to do) and are subsequently elected at the same time? Having two people from the same family is not new to councils, and a practical solution might be not to put two such members on the same committee if this is possible.”

Cllr Geraint Price accepted the feedback from One Voice Wales with no reason to discuss further. Seconded Cllr Rob Jones. All in favour

Min 121 / October / 22 – Notice of Motion: To adopt an updated Social Media Policy

The updated social media policy has been circulated to councillors.

Amendments to add as follows, proposed by Cllr Charlotte Morgan, Seconded by Cllr Christoph Fischer

- Considering adding a disclaimer to personal accounts that views expressed are their own, not that of the Town Council.

- no Councillor should post any information, in any format, into the Public realm until a meeting is closed.

The Motion will be voted on in November Full Council.

Min 122 / October / 22 – Mayors report

Cllr Gordon Kilby reported the following :-

3rd October – Attended the new Dementia Friendly Cradle Choir. A great project and great turnout

14th October – Civic Society Meeting

5th October – School Governor meeting

16th October – Annual service in Myddfai

23rd October – Mens sheds opera tour in Cardiff

Gordon advised he is aiming to hold a Mayors Dinner in the new year for his Charities, British Heart Foundation and Tenovus Llandeilo

Min 123 / October / 22 – Any other items of business that by reason of special circumstances, the Chair decides should be considered as a matter of urgency, pursuant to Section 100B(4)(B) of the local Government Act 1972

Meeting Closed at 20.44pm